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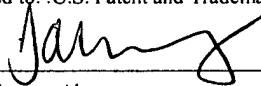
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For: ANTIGEN-BINDING FRAGMENTS
SPECIFIC FOR DENDRITIC CELLS,
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF
USE THEREOF ANTIGENS
RECOGNIZED THEREBY AND CELLS
OBTAINED THEREBY

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMMUNICATION
WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT
APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINOACID
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES AND SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.125(B) AND (C)**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed by the Examiner on April 23, 2002, (paper No. 14) and for which a four month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from April 23, 2002 to September 23, 2002. Accordingly this response is timely filed. Prior to examination of the merits of the above-identified application entry of the following amendments is requested.

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please replace the specification of record with the enclosed Substitute Specification.